Threshing Machines

WILLIAM DANIEL AND ANNIE ELIZABETH McGUIRE BETHERS



William Daniel Bethers was born October 14, 1872, in Heber City, son of William S. and Phebe McMillan Bethers. He married Annie Elizabeth McGuire on January 16, 1901, in the Salt Lake Temple. She was born August 19, 1880, in Washington, Utah, daughter of Patrick H. and Sarah E. McGuire. William died December 23, 1949, and Annie died August 9, 1956.

William Daniel's parents moved from Heber to Daniels Creek, where his father filed on a homestead on the bench land out from Daniel Canyon. Like all the other children, he worked in clearing the farm to raise crops, and walked to Center Creek to school.

At the age of 19 he started running his father's horsepower threshing machine, then later the steampower machine. He worked in the Park City mines both before and after his marriage. In later years he owned a gas-powered thresher, with which he did much threshing in Wasatch and Utah Counties.

He owned successful farms in Daniel and Center Creek.

His wife, Annie, was a fine housekeeper and a counselor in the Relief Society. She did much sewing in preparation for burial of the dead.

Members of his family found him dead on December 23, 1949, sitting on some hay, where he was resting when feeding his cows. Annie died on August 9, 1956. They were the parents of the following children:

Leonard, who married Stella McDonald.
Lyman, who married Ernestine Jacklin.
Harold (twin).
Harris (twin brother to Harold, who married Mary Davis).
Allen, an infant, who died in 1912.
Hazel, who married Royal Moffett.
Reed.
Paul, who married Lucile Stanley. Works at abstracting.

Leonard farms, while the other boys are construction contractors.